

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
RESOURCE CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

September 26, 2011

City of Chula Vista, Executive Conference Room 103
276 Fourth Avenue

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: By Chair Stillman at 4:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Stillman, Commissioners Coleman, Davis, Kappes, Rahimzadeh, and Romo

MEMBERS ABSENT: Vargas, excused

MOTION TO EXCUSE: None

STAFF PRESENT: Engineering Assistant Director Quilantan, Environmental Resource Manager Reed, Environmental Resource Program Manager France, and Sr. Secretary Fields

OTHERS PRESENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Minutes of September 12, 2011 were approved.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

CHAIR COMMENTS

The Chair welcomed the two new Commissioners, and each board member gave a brief description of their background and their particular areas of interest.

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Zero Waste Systems

Environmental Resource Program Manager France presented a video on the zero waste philosophy. She stated that AB341 was a bill currently on the Governor's desk and that it would require the City to divert 75% of the waste by 2020. She added that the Otay Landfill was slated to close in 2028, and that considering those two facts, the City needed to start looking at how to handle the resources that are in the waste stream to better use them.

The group further discussed the issue and Program Manager France addressed questions and comments from the board.

2. RCC Action Plan Discussion

Environmental Resource Manager Reed gave a brief overview of the process to date. He began by stating that the RCC is an advisory body to City Council, to other commissions, and to City staff on environmental topics, and he mentioned the scope of the topics the board reviews. He also talked about how the recent reorganization had brought the RCC under the Public Works Department, and that each of the divisions and sections within Public Works had presented to the RCC to give the board a sense of the type of work each does within the City. Reed went on to say that after those presentations, the group worked on developing an RCC Action Plan to develop a list of initiatives that the RCC could lead to further the City's sustainable goals. This Action Plan came in response to feedback from the RCC that they wanted to be much more hands-on in our programs.

After Manager Reed finished the overview, the group continued to discuss the next items on the Action Plan list.

ACTION ITEMS:

None

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Assistant Director Quilantan commented on the following:

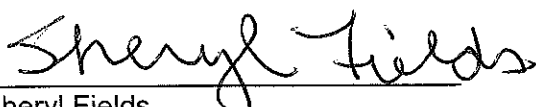
- The City Clerk's Office is updating charters for the various commissions.
- The goal of 100 Clean Businesses has been reached. The participating businesses will be recognized as part of the Centennial event on October 15th.
- Beautify Chula Vista event - litter clean up and graffiti abatement at Harborside Park on October 22nd.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- Commissioner Coleman first welcomed the new board members. He then requested a bulleted list from staff of upcoming agenda items, to which Environmental Resource Manager Reed responded that we could add a "Future Items" section to the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m. to a regular meeting on Monday, October 10, 2011, at 4:00 pm in Executive Conference Room 103, Building 300, 276 Fourth Avenue, Chula Vista, CA 91910.

Prepared by:


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Sr. Secretary